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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

POLO et al.

Confirmation No.: 2230

Serial No.: 09/551,977

Art Unit: 1648

Filing Date: April 14, 2000

Examiner: B. Li

Title:

COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR GENERATING AN

IMMUNE RESPONSE UTILIZING ALPHAVIRUS-BASED

**VECTOR SYSTEMS** 

## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is an amendment in the above patent application in response to the Office Action of January 27, 2003.

- X Applicants request an extension of time for three months. Enclosed is a check to cover the \$930 fee.
- $\underline{X}$  No additional claims fee is required.
- X Also enclosed: Declaration Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.132 of John M. Polo, Ph.D.; postcard.

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No. of Claims After Amendment			Most Claims Previously Paid					Additional Fee		
A. Total Claims	6		37	=	0	х	\$18	=	\$0	
B. Ind. Claims	1	-	9	=	0	х	\$84	=	0	
C. If amended to contain multiple dependent claims, add 280 \$280								=	\$0	
D. Total Amendment Fee (Total of A, B & C)								=	0	
E. If small entity, 50% reduction of Total Amendment Fee (50% of D)								=	0	
F. Total Amendment Fee (D minus E)								=	\$0	

X A check for \$ 930 to cover the extension of time fee is attached.

Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 18-1648.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 18-1648.

Respectfully submitted,

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